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President Stops Marine Insurance Leak to Germany

Prohibits Teuton Owned Proclamation of Companies from Doing War Risk Business

Tribune Had Shown Menace to Shipping

Proclamation Suspends the Payments on Contracts Until After War

July 14.-President Wilson cut off German controlled ingrance companies to-day from access The President, by proclamation, rance. They can do no more origmpanies reinsure risks with them. The two classes of insurance forbid-

vely with shipping, the term maisk covers the additional risk of loss It will thus be seen that German

munitions and shipbuildprivilege, insurance men oint out, almost as dangerous as

Under the pence time system, which tinued despite The Tribune's exosure of the risk involved, the Ger man companies were, as a matter of orre, informed of sailings, destina out, manifests and other maritime which American newspapers re hard from publishing at the request

utters were confided were branches German companies, incorporated in country simply to conform with the state in which they ened to be. Scarcely a ship sailed om an American port without insur

Mose arrival in France was held up is Washington lest Germany learn what vas going on, was insured with a German company. Moreover, this trans-Mrt, the Manchuria, ran aground before leaving American waters. Representatives of the insurance company were among the first to board her, and, a pursuance of their still legitimate business, were permitted to browse

shout getting information. Under the terms of the President's proclamation this source of informaties will be blocked at once. Except in the case of vessels now at sea, payment on existing contracts is suspended during the war. If the insurance is for the duration of the voyage, it conunues in force until the vessel reaches is destination; if it is for a period of

ime, it expires within thirty days after the issuance of the proclamation. Funds of the alien companies are to a subject to such rules as the insur-tice authorities of the various states

awhich the main offices of the con-sens are located may make.

It is the first effective step taken to be more than the first effective step taken to be meaning the enemy, and is in-leaded not only to destroy what might will have been a ready made spy sys-tem, but will tend to check the shipem, but will tend to check the ship-ment of gold to South American and other neutral countries for German ac-

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No move has yet been made toward the countries of Europe, the hotbeds of the German spy system, and mails has free of all censorship except as paints newspapers that may be carrying liquor advertisements into dry plates.

The immediate effect of the Presidents proclamation is to put out of basiness for the term of the war the may German companies writing insurance on their own account in this mustry through branches and a mailer number of companies doing a tingurance business that its, assuming part of the rinks written by other mapanies. The heat known of these later is the Munich Reinsurance Companies.

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An familiar with the insurance situation before them they could a say whether it would accomplish all that is intended. Their reason for its foult is the fact that in preparation for just such a contingency German for just suc

The President on German Insurance

W HEREAS, certain insurance companies, incorporated under the laws of the German Empire, have been admitted to transact the business of marine and war risk insurance in various states of the United States, by means of separate United States branches established pursuant to the law of such states, and are now engaged in such business under the supervision of the insurance departments thereof, with with insurance departments or in the hands of resident trustees, citizens of the United States, for the protection of all policyholders in the United States;

And whereas, the nature of marine and war risk insurance is such that those conducting it must of necessity be in touch with the movements of ships and cargoes, and it has been considered by the government of great importance that this information should not be obtained by alien Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wil-

son, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the powers vested in me as such, hereby declare and proclaim that such branch establishments of German insurance companies now engaged in the transaction of business in the United States pursuant to the laws of the several states are hereby prohibited from continuing the transaction of the business of marine and war risk insurance either as direct insurer or reinsurers; and all individuals, firms and insurance companies incorporated under the laws of any of the states or territories of the United States, or of any foreign country, and established pursuant to the laws of such states and now engaged in the United States in the business of marine and war risk insurance either as direct insurers or reinsurers are hereby prohibited from reinsuring with companies incorporated under the laws of the German Empire, no matter where located; and all persons in the United States are prohibited from insuring against marine or war risks with insurance companies incorporated under the einsurers; and all individuals, firms companies incorporated under the laws of the German Empire or with individuals, firms and insurance comindividuals, hrms and insurance com-panies incorporated under the laws of any of the states or territories of the United States or of any foreign country and now engaged in the business of marine or war risk in-surance in the United States which business originating in the United States with companies porated under the laws of the Ger man Empire, no matter where located

The foregoing prohibition shall extend and operate as to all existing contracts for insurance and reinsurance which are hereby suspended for the period of the war, except that they shall not operate to vitiate or prevent the inoperate to vitiate or prevent the surance or reinsurance of, and the payment or receipt of, premiums on insurance or reinsurance under exist-ing contracts on vessels or interest at risk on the date of this proclamation, and such insurance or reinsurance, if and such insurance or reinsurance, if for a voyage, shall continue in force until arrival at destination, and if for time, until thirty days from the date of this proclamation, but if on a voyage at that time, until the arrival at destination. Nothing herein shall be construed to operate to prevent the payment or

receipt of any premium or claim now due or which may become due on or in respect to insurance or rein-surances not prohibited by this proc-

lamation.
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That all funds of such German companies now in the possession of their managers or agents, or which shall hereafter come into their possession, shall be subject to such rules and requiations concerning the payment and disposition thereof as shall be prescribed by the insurance supervising officials of the state in which the principal office of such establishment in the United States is located; but in no event shall any funds belonging to or held for the benefit of such companies be transmitted outside of the United States, nor be used as the basis for the establishment, directly or indirectly, of any credit within or outside of the United States to or for the benefit or use of the enemy or any of his allies without the permission of this government.

NO TIME FOR POLITICS



House Passes \$640,000,000 Air Measure

Bill Goes Through in Five Hours Without a Rollcall

imiting the broad authorities granted enlisted men drafted for the aviation knowledge is only theoretical. corps shall be within the same ages 21 to 30 inclusive as apply in the general conscription law.

The bill, carrying the greatest aviation appropriation ever proposed in Congress, and passed in less than five hours, evoked some criticism of legislative methods, but no attack on the general purpose.

Dent and Fitzgerald Clash

funds in a slipshod and illogical way than their representatives in Congress scription. and that if the war emergency, during and in the Senate, are entirely united in Men at Front

Mayor Victor Mravlag of Elizabeth, for engines, equipment, guns, armanity, not may be an engined and distance of engines equipment, guns, armanity that a vigorous shipbuilding policy; there is no uncertainty is established. Can it is easid that America's communication, spare parts, barracks and buildings, operation of avirance, and buildings, operation of aircraft of engines experiments, creation, and into the fourth of July. On that day the Mayor refused to receive it because that he has of a government factory of the manufacture of aircraft or for the manufacture of aircraft. He will explain the

Ships First, Says Pollen,

Pressing Ouestion Now Is Whether the Army Can Win the War Before the Navy Loses It, Declares Britain's Foremost Naval Critic

partment bill appropriating \$640,000,000 Europe as the fairest and most prominent writer on naval policy and the resignations in the Chancellor's hands. partment onl appropriating \$040,000,000 best interpreter of naval events. He came to the study of the navy with However, Germany is taking a long and America in her first flush of military for construction of 22,000 aeroplanes was passed by the House late to-day without a rollcall. It was amended only in minor deals.

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America in her first flush of military enthusiasm can bardly appreciate the war was recommission on the circulation of a panthusiasm can be flushed as a war commission on the scene and miss no opportunity of studying it, it will also become a move toward particular to the study of the navy with the mover, Germany is taking a long and the flushed are thusiasm can bardly appreciate the control of a panthusiasm can be flushed as the probably a decisive step toward particular to the study of the navy with probably a decisive step toward particular to the study of the navy with probably a decisive step toward particular to the study of the navy with particular to the study of the navy with probably a decisive step toward particular to the study of the navy with particul naval gunnery. Mr. Pollen is the inventor of most, if not all, of the range-Amendments adopted included one by finding devices now used by the various fleets. This knowledge, of course, peace. Representative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, was acquired only by long cooperation with naval officers, and, the subject matter of this cooperation having been a most essential element in fightthe executive for the present war ing, it is natural that Mr. Pollen's insight into the war activities of the U-Boat Is Sunk Fitzgerald, New York, providing that navy should have been more varied and actual than those of writers whose

By ARTHUR H. POLLEN

[Conveight, 1917, by The Tribune Association]

Bill Gives No Details

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Representative Kahn, Republican, of California, pointed to Germany's secrety as to its military programme and said that neighboring nations knew nothing of her 42-centimetre until they battered down the Belgian of the Pattered down the Belgian to go to war as though we were going on a hunting trip, with a brass band.

Bill Gives No Details

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Ten submarines.

Can courage and American resources all maxims in war that no fighting force can do its work unless its communications are secure. Here and there a convoy may be lost, troops marching to the front may be routed, there a convoy may be lost, troops marching to the front may be routed.

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The bound of the world upon better lines the front may be routed, casualties incurred and prisoners taken.

Small and occasional losses do not mean that communications are cut, but there must exist substantial security and substantial certainty that the men, and the freedom of the world.

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Dr. Michaelis Succeeds Hollweg as Chancellor; Von Stein Quits Ministry

Wind from Russia Is Shaking German Autocracy, British View

People Awakening to Realization That Nation Cannot Win Hand of Crown Prince Military Decision, and Rulers Recognize Democratization Must Come Before Allies Will Discuss Peace

London, July 14.- The German Em-

From the best information I can get, Matthias Erzberger, leader of the Cath- wait indefinitely until after the war.

man rulers that the Allies could not ernment make peace on any satisfactory terms Fourth-The desire to have the Ger-

man people believe that the impetus for a change came from within and not

form or merely a "grandstand play" far the reforms carry, says "The Na-"Meanwhile the revolt in the Reichstag is taken seriously. Von Bethmann-Hollweg's fall may not be a good sign, for it was the National Lib-

Prince summoned to Berlin for the second. This latter detail suggests that the Kaiser is about to make permanent constitutional concessions. For this he may wish to have the assent of this heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir, and this is said to have been his heir. Perhaps they are pre-

"The Manchester Guard

cree of last April in two respects. The new Prussian franchise is to be based on equality and reform, and is not to the instigation of Chancellor von Beth- elections. These are improvements, but of Finance and Food Commissioner, has mann-Hollweg, and for these reasons: if anybody thinks they will 'democ-First-The pressure of Emperor ratize Germany let him remember two Hollweg as Chancellor of the German

"The Kaiser, as the King of Prussia,

things: The House of Peers will re- Empire. Second-The awakening of the Ger- main to hamstring the radical lower

"There will be no parliamentary government in Prussia. The ministries will continue to live and die by the will of the King, not by the will of Parliament. The decision to appoint representatives of the four government parties in the Reichstag Secretaries of State is not yet announced, but it has just as little to do with parliamentary government as the changes in the Prus-sian franchise.

Disappoints Real Liberals

That this skeleton of reform is pro-foundly disappointing to the real Lib-erals of Germany may be gathered from the bitter protests of the 'Berliner Tageblatt,' which insists that it 'can-not make the slightest impression on Germany or abroad, nor bring ameliora-tion of the present situation, but only increase the dissatisfaction.' This is a just appreciation, and we believe it. "That this skeleton of reform is increase the dissatisfaction. This is a just appreciation, and we believe it is also correct. The July 'crisis' will be followed by many worse crises. The great wind from Russia has begun to shake the trees of German quasi-des-

In Austria the same situation exists,

Russia Praised By Lloyd George

Fight in the Mediterranean British Premier Says Triumph in East Is a Great Reported by Captain to Blow for Freedom Owners Here

London, July 14.—David Lloyd An Atlantic Port, July 14 .- A subma-An Atlantic Port, July 14.—A subma-George, the British Premier, to-day Berlin as soon as possible, rine was sunk by an American schooner rine was sunk by an American schooner text of the telegram reads: "Heartiest congratulations of the

The naval gun crew ahoard the British government on the success of and a petty omcer.

It was believed by the owners of the termination of the Russian governconcessions which were tantamount to

Their Camp at Front

Men Go Into Training in

Veteran Prussian Reactionary Made Head of New Cabinet

Seen in the Change

Situation in Reichstag, Reported to Have Defied the Kaiser, Is Obscure

London, July 14 .- Dr. Georg Michaelis, formerly Prussian Under Secretary succeeded Theobald von Bethmann

The resignation of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, its acceptance by the Kaiser and the appointment of Dr. Michaelis are all officially confirmed from Berlin. The message containing the news was circulated through the wireless stations by the German gov-Admiralty wireless. Dr. Michaelis is a typical Prussian bureaucrat, now sixty years old, who

began his service with the government when he was eighteen and has served its interests faithfully since. He leaped into public notice during the war as the first to give a public warning that Germany was in danger of starvation On the strength of his observations

at that time he was made Prussian Food Commissioner to cooperate with vocate and has urged the conservation of food for this purpose.

Crown Prince Opposed Hollweg

The appointment of Dr. Michaelia of the Crown Prince to von Bethmannfor the retention of the former Chena reactionary, thoroughly amenable to

the imperial family

forces, and also served as quarters ter general. Before his appointment as Prussian War Minister last October he held an active command on the Somme

In the confusion of resignations and new appointments and the discussion of a real parliamentary system for the empire less has been heard of the peace issue, which was so prominent at the beginning of the crisis. According to a dispatch from Berlin to the "Berlinske Tidende," the new peace formula put forward by the Liberals is being supported by a great part of the Centrist, or Catholic, party. All parties have summoned their members to

here to-day by the owners of the vessel success of the Russian offensive. The longed party discussions and heated debates of the main committee of the Reichstag, which have been proceeding

At the same time, the Chancellor, by

peror. The advent of the Crown Prince upon the scene—summoned by his imperial father to share the deliberations affecting the future of the dynasty—seems to have changed entirely the position with regard to the imperial Chancellor. The Crown Prince at once took a leading nart in the disat once took a leading part in the dis-cussions with the party leaders, and Spite of Orders for

a Holiday

Paris, July 14.—The vanguard of the Imerican trops, who left on Thurs-

Poor Chance for Reforms The fact that Field Marshal von Hin

been encamped, arrived at their permanent camp to-day. The men went into training immediately, notwith-standing the holiday order that had been issued by General Pershing.

London, July 14.—The "Echo de Belge" is quoted in a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam to the effect that fifty-eight persons were condemned to death at Antwerp and fifteen of them were shot on July 5. Among them, the newspaper says, were three sisters.

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Major General Pershing.

Major General Pershing after wathing the military spectacles of the day here, the first quartermaster to Ludendorff, first quartermaste

First, Says Pollen, If America Is to Count There were similar revolts in the Duma, but the Hohenzollerns are a more adaptable and capable race than the Romanoffs. The Crown Council is a combination of the imperial and Prussian ministries, which very rarely meets. It has had two sessions with the Kaiser in the chair, and the Crown Prince summoned to Berlin for the Prince summoned to Berlin for the Summoned to Berlin for the Crown Prince summoned to Berlin for the Summoned to

Arthur Pollen is England's distinguished naval critic. He is accepted in both governments have placed their mature, but none can dispute that the

which the pill so years the appropriation for such a period would violate the for such a period would violate the which the bill is specifically applicable, one great matter. There may have Must Be Secured

HAVE just been spending a fort- | One hears, too, of railway rails and night in Washington, a city material being accumulated to remake that is, I suppose, more repre- the overburdened and wornout lines of mittee, declaring debate might result sentative of the United States to-day France and Russia. Beyond a doubt in information leaking to Germany, than it has ever been in its history, the magnitude of the effort of underof the Appropriations Committee, who said Congress was handling public from every state and district, no less the effort through are quite beyond de-

By Naval Crew On U. S. Schooner For New Offensive